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Applicants: Jeffrey D. Messerly  
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For : **BLADES WITH FUNCTIONAL BALANCE ASYMMETRIES FOR USE WITH  
ULTRASONIC SURGICAL INSTRUMENTS**

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Commissioner For Patents  
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE  
DEPOSIT ACCOUNT THEREFOR**

Dear Sir:

Applicant(s) petition(s) the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for filing an appeal brief for five (5) month(s) from November 16, 2004 to April 16, 2005, for the purpose of filing an RCE.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 10-0750/END-736/VEK in the name of Johnson & Johnson for the cost of filing this Petition.

Respectfully submitted,

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